GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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POST OFFICES IN RURAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that there are fewer post offices in the rural areas of Karnataka, Orissa and Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the number of Gram Panchayats in these States where post and telegraph facilities are not available; district-wise;

(c) whether the Government has set up Panchayat Communication Service and telegraph office in these States;

(d) if so, the details thereof, district-wise during the last two years;

(e) if not, the details of time-bound programme formulated by the Government in this regard; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government for speedy delivery of posts in these States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) No. Sir. There are 8761 Post Offices in the rural areas of Karnataka, catering to 5692 Gram Panchayat villages and 7572 Post Offices in the rural areas of Orissa, catering to 5254 Gram Panchayat villages, while 15693 Post Offices in the rural areas of Uttar Pradesh, cater to 55537 Gram Panchayat villages. The opening of Post Offices is an ongoing process. Post offices are opened in rural areas subject to fulfillment of population, distance and income norms and availability of resources.

(b) Postal facilities for delivery of Dak, collection of mails and sale of postal stamps and stationery through postmen are available to all Gram Panchayats in these states. However, the district-wise number of Gram Panchayats in Karnataka, Orissa and Uttar Pradesh not having Post Offices are given in Annexure-I, II & III respectively. The information regarding the district-wise number of Gram Panchayats in Karnataka, Orissa and Uttar Pradesh not having telegraph facilities is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) to (e) The information regarding the setting up of Panchayat Communication Service and telegraph office in these States district-wise, during the last two years and the details of time-bound programme formulated by the Government in this regard is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(f) To ensure speedy delivery of mails in the country, including the states of Karnataka, Orissa and Uttar Pradesh, mail arrangements are formulated taking into account the facilities available through Railways, Road transport and manual modes, so that transmission occurs through the fastest means. Mail lines are, mechanized, wherever possible, with a view to speed up transmission. Mail arrangements are also monitored regularly through test letters etc. to rectify any hitches that may arise in mail transmission from time to time.

ANNEXURE-I

Sl. No.	Name of District	No. of GP Villages without PO
1	BAGALKOT	6
2	BANAGLORE (R)	27
3	BANGALORE (U)	54
4	BELGAUM	11
5	BELLARY	0
6	BIDAR	1
7	BIJAPUR	0
8	CHAMRAJ NAGAR	2
9	CHIKMGALUR	1
10	CHITRADURGA	8
11	DAKSHINA KANNADA	18
12	DAVANGERE	5
13	DHARWAD	9

14	GADAG	0
15	GULBARGA	5
16	HASSAN	43
17	HAVERI	8
18	KODAGU	7
19	KOLAR	73
20	KOPPAL	4
21	MANDYA	33
22	MYSORE	15
23	RAICHUR	1
24	SHIMOGA	64
25	TUMKUR	49
26	UDUPI	6
27	UTTARA KANNADA	17
	TOTAL	467

ANNEXURE-II

DISTRICT WISE NUMBER OF GRAM PANCHAYATS IN ORISSA WITHOUT POST OFICE

Sl. No.	Name of District	No. of GP Villages without PO
1	ANGUL	10
2	BALASORE	10
3	BARAGARH	1
4	BHADRAK	2
5	BOLANGIR	16
6	BOUDH	3
7	CUTTACK	11
8	DEOGARH	7
9	DHENKANAL	6
10	GAJAPATI	10
11	GANJAM	23
12	JAG. S. PUR	10
13	JAJPUR	0
14	JHARSUGUDA	3
15	KALAHANDI	0
16	KENDRAPARA	1
17	KEONJHAR	0
18	KHURDA	0
19	KORAPUT	3
20	MALKANGIRI	0
21	MAYURBANJ	4
22	NAYAGARH	0
23	NOWRANGPUR	5
24	NUAPADA	4
25	PHULBANI	0
26	PURI	16
27	RAYAGADA	2
28	SAMBALPUR	2
29	SONEPUR	3
30	SUNDARGARH	5
	TOTAL	157

ANNEXURE-III

DISTRICT-WISE DETAILS OF GRAM PANCHAYATS IN UTTAR PRADESH WHICH DO NOT HAVE POST OFFICES

Sl No	Name of District	No. of Gram Panchayats without PO	Sl. No.	Name of Districts	No. of Gram Panchayat without PO
1	Agra	637	37	Jhansi	442
2	Aligarh	910	38	JP Nagar	447
3	Allahabad	1446	39	Kannauj	307
4	Ambedkar Nagar	705	40	Kanpur (D)	1144
5	Auraiya	290	41	Kanpur City	80
6	Azamgarh	803	42	Kaushambi	327

7	Bagpat	94	43	Kheri	673
8	Bahraich	849	44	Khusinagar	752
9	Ballia	504	45	Lalitpur	295
10	Balrampur	520	46	Lucknow	55
11	Banda	293	47	Maharajganj	581
12	Barabanki	662	48	Mahoba	134
13	Bareilly	1178	49	Mainpuri	494
14	Basti	1334	50	Mathura	304
15	Santravidsnagar (Bhadoi)	382	51	Mau	450
16	Bijnore	731	52	Meerut	305
17	Budaun	785	53	Mirzapur	659
18	Bulandshahar	634	54	Moradabad	735
19	Chandauli	992	55	Muzaffarnagar	416
20	Deoria	750	56	Pratapgarh	757
21	Etah	660	57	Pilibhit	461
22	Etawah	266	58	Raebareli	542
23	Faizabad	510	59	Rampur	471
24	Farrukhabad Nagar	389	60	Sidhartha	833
25	Fatehpur Nagar	548	61	Sant Kabir	529
26	Firozabad	478	62	Saharanpur	762
27	G.B. Nagar	257	63	Chitrakoot	181
28	Ghaziabad	243	64	Shajahanpur	691
29	Ghazipur	692	65	Sitapur	944
30	Gonda	700	66	Sonbhadra	292
31	Gorakhpur	903	67	Srawasti	325
32	Hamirpur	208	68	Sultanpur	819
33	Hardoi	838	69	Unnao	908
34	Hathras (East)	71	70	Varanasi	356
35	Jalaun (West)	453	71	Varanasi	424
36	Jaunpur (Barl'y)	1134	72	G.V. Nagar	131
	Total	40875			

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